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REFERENCE TO THE "OLSEN" CIRCLES (1942)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 227

5 Feb. 42

To: [Name No. 42], [i]

1. The fully laden German tankers "HANSA" and "KATALONIA"[a], and also the tankers "....."[b] and "DAHLIG" of 1,000 tons displacement, arrived in STOCKHOLM from GERMANY at the end of January.

[2; 2.] [26 groups unrecovered]

the German steamships "HINDENBURG", "SIRIUS[SURIUS]", "OTAKHUS"[c], and also the Finnish steamship "DAIS"[d].

(e) The "HINDENBURG" passed through the STOCKHOLM fairway fully [C. loaded] [D. being sent] [2 groups unrecovered] from FINLAND.

3. In reply to your telegram No. [B. 372]. [e]

[26 groups unrecovered]

a reliable man, the engineer belongs to the "OLSEN[OL'SEN]" [ii] circles - for "service" reasons. I can either myself or through YARTSEN [iii] establish personal contact and brief him according to [D. your instructions].

No. 14

[Name No. 64] [iv]

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- Notes: [a] "KATALONIKA" has not been traced.
- [b] Possibly ends ".....T", ".....D" or ".....Gh".
- [c] "OTAKHUS" has not been traced.
- [d] "DAIS" has not been traced. Cyrillic may also be "DAJS".
- [e] Not available.

- Comments: [i] Name No. 42 : In 1943 this is thought to refer to Capt. (1st Rank) M. A. VORONTSOV, but may not do so at this date.
- [ii] "OLSEN" circles - significance not known. "OHLSEN" is a less likely transcription.
- [iii] YaRTsEV : Boris Nikolayevich YaRTsEV, Counsellor at the Soviet Embassy in STOCKHOLM October 1941-July 1943, and MGB Chief Legal Resident.
- [iv] Name No. 62 : Unidentified STOCKHOLM signatory.

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